# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION  Plaintiffs' Master Administrative Long- Form Complaint and (if applicable)  William Andrews et al. v. National Football League [et al.],	No. 12-md-2323(AB)  MDL No. 2323  SHORT FORM COMPLAINT  IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY				
No. 12-CV-5633(HB)	LITIGATION  JURY TRIAL DEMANDED				
SHORT FORM COMPLAINT					
1. Plaintiff, <u>Larry Lee</u> , bring	s this civil action as a related action in the matter				
entitled IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY					
LITIGATION, MDL No. 2323.					
2. Plaintiff is filing this short form	. Plaintiff is filing this short form complaint as required by this Court's Case				
Management Order No. 2, filed April 26, 2012.					
3. Plaintiff incorporates by referen	. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the				
Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint, as may be amended, as if fully set forth at length					
in this Short Form Complaint.					
4. [Fill in if applicable] Plaintiff is filing this case in a representative capacity as the					
of, having been d	uly appointed as the by the Court of				
(Cross out sentence below if no	ot applicable.) Copies of the Letters of				
Administration/Letters Testamentary for a wro	ongful death claim are annexed hereto if such				
Letters are required for the commencement of	such a claim by the Probate, Surrogate or other				

appropriate court of the jurisdiction of the decedent.

5.	Plaint	iff <u>Larry Lee</u> is a resident and citizen of <u>Detroit, Michigan</u> , and		
claims damag	ges as so	et forth below.		
6.	[Fill i	n if applicable] Plaintiff's spouse,, is a resident and citizen of		
	_, and c	laims damages as a result of loss of consortium proximately caused by the		
harm suffered	d by he	Plaintiff husband/decedent.		
7.	On information and belief, the Plaintiff sustained repetitive, traumatic sub-			
concussive ar	nd/or co	oncussive head impacts during NFL games and/or practices. On information		
and belief, Pl	aintiff s	suffers from symptoms of brain injury caused by the repetitive, traumatic		
sub-concussiv	ve and/	or concussive head impacts the Plaintiff sustained during NFL games and/or		
practices. On	inform	ation and belief, the Plaintiff's symptoms arise from injuries that are latent		
and have dev	eloped	and continue to develop over time.		
8.	The original complaint by Plaintiff in this matter was filed in the United States			
District Cour	t South	ern District of New York on July 23, 2012. If the case is remanded, it		
should be ren	nanded	to the United States District Court Southern District of New York.		
9.	Plaint	Plaintiff claims damages as a result of [check all that apply]:		
	$\boxtimes$	Injury to Herself/Himself		
		Injury to the Person Represented		
		Wrongful Death		
		Survivorship Action		
	$\boxtimes$	Economic Loss		
		Loss of Services		
		Loss of Consortium		
10.	[Fill i	n if applicable] As a result of the injuries to her husband,,		
Plaintiffs Spo	ouse,	, suffers from a loss of consortium, including the following		
injuries:				
		loss of marital services;		
		loss of companionship, affection or society;		

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		loss of support; and
		monetary losses in the form of unreimbursed costs she has had to expend
		for the health care and personal care of her husband.
11.	[Checl	k if applicable] ⊠Plaintiff reserves the right to object to federal
jurisdiction.		
12.	Plainti	ff brings this case against the following Defendants in this action [check all
that apply]:		
	$\boxtimes$	Football League
	$\boxtimes$	NFL Properties, LLC
	$\boxtimes$	Riddell, Inc.
	$\boxtimes$	All American Sports, Inc. (d/b/a Riddell Sports Group, Inc.)
	$\boxtimes$	Riddell Sports Group, Inc.
	$\boxtimes$	Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.
	$\boxtimes$	Easton-Bell Sports, LLC
	$\boxtimes$	EB Sports Corporation
	$\boxtimes$	RBG Holdings Corporation
13.	[Checl	k where applicable] As to each of the Riddell Defendants referenced above
the claims ass	erted ar	e: ⊠ design defect; ⊠ informational defect; ⊠ manufacturing defect.
14.	[Checl	k if applicable]   The Plaintiff wore one or more helmets designed and/or
manufactured	by the	Riddell Defendants during one or more years Plaintiff played in the NFL
and/or AFL.		
15.	Plainti	ff played in [check if applicable] ⊠ the National Football League
("NFL") and/o	or in [cl	neck if applicable]   the American Football League ("AFL") during
1981 to 19	988	for the following teams:Detroit Lions (1981 to 1985); Miami
Dolphins (198	35 to 19	86); and the Denver Broncos (1987 to 1988).

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# **CAUSES OF ACTION**

	16.	Plainti	iff herein adopts by reference the following Counts of the Master		
Administrative Long-Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations incorporated by					
refere	reference in those Counts [check all that apply]:				
		$\boxtimes$	Count I (Action for Declaratory Relief- Liability (Against the NFL))		
		$\boxtimes$	Count II (Medical Monitoring (Against the NFL))		
			Count III (Wrongful Death and Survival Actions (Against the NFL))		
		$\boxtimes$	Count IV (Fraudulent Concealment (Against the NFL))		
		$\boxtimes$	Count V (Fraud (Against the NFL))		
		$\boxtimes$	Count VI (Negligent Misrepresentation (Against the NFL))		
			Count VII (Negligence Pre-1968 (Against the NFL Defendants))		
		$\boxtimes$	Count VIII (Negligence Post-1968 (Against the NFL Defendants))		
			Count IX (Negligence 1987-1993 (Against the NFL Defendants))		
		$\boxtimes$	Count X (Negligence Post-1994 (Against the NFL Defendants))		
			Count XI (Loss of Consortium (Against the NFL and Riddell Defendants))		
		$\boxtimes$	Count XII (Negligent Hiring (Against the NFL))		
		$\boxtimes$	Count XIII (Negligent Retention (Against the NFL))		
		$\boxtimes$	Count XIV (Strict Liability for Design Defect (Against the Riddell		
			Defendants))		
		$\boxtimes$	Count XV (Strict Liability for Manufacturing Defect (Against the Riddell		
			Defendants))		
		$\boxtimes$	Count XVI (Failure to Warn (Against the Riddell Defendants))		
		$\boxtimes$	Count XVII (Negligence (Against the Riddell Defendants))		
		$\boxtimes$	Count XVIII (Civil Conspiracy/Fraudulent Concealment (Against NFL		
			Defendants))		
	17.	7. Plaintiff asserts the following additional causes of action:			
		<u>(a)</u>	negligent infliction of emotional distress; and		

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#### (b) intentional infliction of emotional distress

## **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment as follows:

- A. An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be determined at trial;
  - B. For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;
- C. For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern this action;
- D. For medical monitoring, whether denominated as damages or in the form of equitable relief;
  - E. For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;
  - F. An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and
  - G. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

### **JURY DEMANDED**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff hereby demands a trial by jury.

Dated: September 12, 2012 Respectfully submitted,

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